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Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Attorney General has asked me to consider the observations made by you in your letter of March 31, 1955 regarding the Employee Security Program.

All of the points you make are very well taken and I am pleased to know of the caution being exercised by your agency in this regard through the continuous review of the security records of your employees. I believe that all sensitive agencies have procedures somewhat similar to yours. It certainly was not our intention to suggest that such procedures should be discontinued or even modified. The Attorney General was fully cognizant of the existence and importance of such programs when he prepared the letter to the President of March 4, to which you refer and, therefore, purposely avoided stating that the cases of applicants and probationary employees would be the sole concern of the security program.

Your interest in letting us have your observations is indeed appreciated and I hope we may continue to have the benefit of your thoughts on this program from time to time.

Sincerely yours,

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Assistant Attorney General

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